By: Farrar H.R. No. 759

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, For more than two decades, The Orange Show 2 Foundation of Houston has brought folk art to the masses, providing 3 immeasurable enjoyment to countless Texans and visitors from across

4 the nation; and

WHEREAS, The aim of the foundation, a nonprofit organization founded in 1980, is to preserve works of extraordinary imagination and celebrate the artist in everyone; The Orange Show Foundation holds the largest database and collection of reference material on monumental works of self-taught artists and folk art in the Southwest and offers a diverse schedule of cultural and educational programs for children and adults; and

WHEREAS, Popular activities hosted by the foundation include Art Car Weekend, a celebration of decorated automobiles and the largest event of its kind in the world; Eyeopener Tours, introducing audiences through group tours to unique people and places; and the ever-inspiring Orange Show monument, where a multitude of programs are offered within the confines of an extraordinary playground of art created by Jefferson Davis McKissack; and

WHEREAS, With commitment and enthusiasm, The Orange Show Foundation has pursued a mission to encourage people of all ages to explore their creativity and broaden their artistic horizons, and these noble efforts are truly worthy of praise; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 2 Legislature hereby commend The Orange Show Foundation for stirring 3 the collective imagination of the Lone Star State and extend to all 4 associated with the foundation best wishes for continued success; 5 and, be it further RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 6 prepared for The Orange Show Foundation as an expression of high 7 regard by the Texas House of Representatives. 8